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Sidney A. Fitzwater
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1953
Education: Baylor 1975 BA, 1976 JD
Began Service: 1986
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Court, 298th Judicial District, Dallas County (1982-1986)

Chambers of Chief Judge Sidney A. Fitzwater continued

Legal Practice: Associate, Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. (1976-1978); Associate, Rain Harrell Emery Young & Doke (1978-1982)

Current Memberships: Dallas Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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Mary Lou Robinson
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1926
Education: Texas 1948 BA, 1950 LLB
Began Service: 1979
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

Judicial: Judge, Potter County Court (1955-1959); Judge, Texas District Court, 108th District, Potter County (1960-1973); Justice, Texas Court of Civil Appeals, Seventh Supreme Judicial District (1973-1977); Chief Justice, Texas Court of Civil Appeals, Seventh Supreme Judicial District (1977-1979)

Legal Practice: Partner, Robinson & Robinson (1950-1955)

Current Memberships: Amarillo Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; State Bar of Texas

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Sam R. Cummings
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: Texas Tech 1967 BBA; Baylor 1970 JD
Began Service: December 11, 1987
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Legal Practice: Partner, Culton, Morgan, Britain & White (1970-1987)

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Current Memberships: State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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John H. McBryde
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1931
Education: Texas Christian 1953 BS; Texas 1956 LLB
Began Service: 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Legal Practice: Associate then Partner, Cantney & Hanger (1956-1969); Partner, McBryde & Bennett (1969-1990)

Current Memberships: American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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Jorge A. Solis
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: McMurry 1973 BA; Texas 1976 JD
Began Service: 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Government: Assistant Criminal District Attorney, State of Texas (1976-1981); Criminal District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, County of Taylor, Texas (1983-1987)

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Courts (1989-1991)

Legal Practice: Moore and Holloway (1981-1982); Sole Practitioner (1988)

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Terry R. Means
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: Southern Methodist 1971 BA, 1974 JD
Began Service: November 5, 1991
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush
Political Affiliation: Republican

Judicial: Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, 10th Appellate District (1989-1991)

Legal Practice: Means & Means (1975-1989); Smith, Ralston, Russell & Wright

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The Eldon B. McMahon American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; State Bar of Texas; Tarrant County Bar Association; Woco-McLennan County Bar Association

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Sam A. Lindsay
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: St Mary's U 1974; Texas 1977 JD
Began Service: September 1, 1998
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Attorney, City of Dallas, Texas (1979-1998)

Legal Practice: Staff Attorney, Texas Aeronautics Commission (1977-1978)

Current Memberships: The Patrick E. Higginbotham American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Center for American and International Law; Dallas Bar Association; J. L. Turner Legal Association

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